

CHURCH OF SAINT MATTHIAS

7485 Briar Road, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania

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FROM THE RECTOR'S DESK

If 1971 can be described as the year of parish introspection - the year we both took a good look at ourselves, not only as Christians but also as a parish family - seeking to determine whether we were living up to our full stature as children of God, doing His will to the full of our ability and resources, then 1972 can best be described as the year we began to implement those findings of 1971, with the view of making our parish just that more viable, just that more effective, just that more demonstrative of the faith that is in us and the hope that sustains us.

We began the year faced with the same problems of the past - a changing neighborhood, old families moving to other locations and taking with them their support and their
involvement in the life and work of the parish; and new families moving in, their active
participation in our life and worship before them, a bit reticent to take their place in
the parish family, a bit shy and suspicious with people who truly want their friendship
and their life-giving support. But during the year, an increasing number of our new people have slowly taken their places as important cogs in this spiritual machine we call the
Church of Saint Matthias, and the result, in many instances, is well-nigh unbelievable.

New life has come to our Church School. The school is growing, ever so gradually, but growing nevertheless. We have moved from a congregation-type method of presentation to graded classes once again. We have moved from a class-by-class study of the Holy Bible to formal instruction once again. This new life was evidenced by the pre-Easter and pre-Christmas presentations by our Church School members, and the parish family was impressed. Our teachers have met regularly throughout the year with the Rector, and discussions of ways and means, of procedures, of new techniques have borne fruit. These sessions will continue, because they are important and vital adjuncts of our Church School program. Our Officers and Teachers are enthusiastic! Our pupils are beginning to match that enthusiasm, and the future of our school is bright indeed.

New life has come to our Senior Choir, with new members being added gradually. We suffered a serious loss with the resignation of our Organist and Choirmaster, Florence Maguire, whose years of stedfast and devoted service it will be most difficult to emulate. It is our earnest hope that new leadership will continue her fine work, so that the music and voices of our services of worship will continue on the high plane she inspired. We

wish Florence years of happiness and contentment as she begins her retirement years in New Jersey with her husband.

You will see from the report of the Accounting Warden how wonderfully responsive have been the members of the parish family to maintaining almost a full measure of financial stability during the year. We faced 1972 with the grim prospect of coming to the end of it with a substantial deficit of two or three thousands of dollars. In reality, the family tightened its collective belt, increased its giving, gave increased support, to the end that our deficit was substantially less. We face 1973 with the same prospect of a large deficit, but I am convinced that we will measure this year's giving with last year's effort. We must! For 1973 is our year of decision, much more than were 1971 and 1972. WE MUST MAKE IT THIS YEAR, or face the prospect of losing our status as an independent parish. No one wants this to occur, although no stigma is attached to the status of an aided parish. But we are a proud family, and we will work mightily to prevent our losing our independence. I am most grateful to Gustav Spahr and Ellwood Booth, our Wardens, who proved to be strong and stedfast bulwarks inside and outside the Vestry. I am doubly grateful to the members of the Vestry, without whose dedication and dogged determination, this parish family would not enjoy her measure of strength and hope.

During the year, there were seven Baptisms: Christopher Charles Jones, Ramisha Atalee Davis, Brett Anthony Vance, Dana Denise Major, Eddie Leonard Cross, Charles Huntington Turzer, and Laurie Heather Abronski.

There were five Confirmations, with Bishop Lyman Ogilby with us on October 4th for the Laying On Of Hands: Gloria Cross, Earl Davis, Lionel King, Patricia Major, and Marcia Sears.

There were thirty-two Services for the Burial of The Dead, of which seven were members of our parish and are listed inside the back cover of this report.

There were a total of 485 Private Communions held for the shut-ins and ill members of the parish.

I look forward to 1973 with eager expectation, knowing that we all will do our best to continue the work of our Church in West Cak Lame. With God!s help, we will succeed. Charles & Maurel

ACCOUNTING WARDEN'S REPORT

THE YEAR 1972 WAS ONE THAT SHOULD RANK IN THE ANNALS OF ST.MATTHIAS AS AN EXPRESSION OF FAITH ON THE PART OF OUR MEMBERS.

THE RESPONSE OF OUR MEMBERS TO THE PRESENTATIONS MADE AT THE PARISH MEETING AND STEWARDSHIP SUNDAY WAS PHENOMENAL, AND HEART WARMING. STUDY THE REPORTS ON THE FOLLOWING PAGES, AND I BELIEVE YOU WILL GET THE SAME FEELING.

SEVERAL OF OUR MEMBERS, THROUGH GENEROUS GIFTS, MADE THE DIFFERENCE BETWEEN A LARGE ANTICIPATED DEFICIT AND A NOMINAL ACTUAL ONE.

THE FIGURES PREPARED FOR THE YEAR 1973 ARE NOT OPTIMISTIC, BUT IF
OUR ENTIRE MEMBERSHIP CATCHES FIRE AND DETERMINES THAT MOST OF THE OBSTACLES
ON THE HORIZON MAY BE OVERCOME, WE WILL CONTINUE TO MINISTER TO THE NEEDS
OF WEST OAK LANE.

ALL OF US MUST BECOME INVOLVED. THE OLDER MEMBERS MUST BE WILLING TO OFFER GUIDANCE TO THE NEWER ONES, AND THEY IN TURN MUST SUPPLY THE SINEWS AND EFFORT TO EFFECT THE ACTUAL ACCOMPLISHMENTS.

WE WILL NOT RECEIVE A GRANT FROM THE DIOCESE THIS YEAR AND IF WE ARE UNABLE TO PAY OUR OWN WAY, THE ONLY RECOURSE IS TO PETITION FOR AIDED PARISH STATUS. WHILE THIS WILL PERMIT US TO CONTINUE IN THE AREA, IT WILL DEPRIVE US OF OUR AUTONOMY AND BOTH THE RECTOR AND VESTRY WILL GE GOVERNED BY DIRECT

CONTROLS FROM THE CHURCH HOUSE.

THIS WE DO NOT WANT; THERE HAS BEEN TOO MUCH EFFORT INTO BRINGING ST. MATTHIAS TO THE STANDING WE HAVE ACHIEVED IN RECENT YEARS. LET'S NOT LOSE STATUS OR FACE.

YOUR VESTRY IS OPEN TO SUGGESTIONS FOR THE GOOD OF THE PARISH, AND WILL WELCOME FRANK DISCUSSION FROM ANY AND ALL OF OUR MEMBERS.

LET'S ALL PUT THAT EXTRA BIT OF EFFORT INTO OUR CHURCH LIFE, AND HAVE 1973 KNOWN AS THE YEAR WE CAUGHT FIRE!

SINCERELY.

ACCOUNTING WARDEN

RECEIPTS

JANUARY 1, 1972 TO DECEMBER 31,1972

FOR PARISH USE

PLASE AND INITIAL	605.44	
ENVELOPES:	1100	Divine - Delicina
GENERAL EXPENSE	16,118.47	
HEAT AND LIGHT	532.30	
PENSION	392.06	Carried Value of
CHRISTMAS OFFERING	816.50	
EASTER OFFERING	780.38	MANUTURE STATE
LENTEN DIME FOLDERS	191.40	19,436.55
FROM OTHER SOURCES:		
CHURCH WOMEN	1,000.00	A PROGRAMMENT OF THE
HOLLY BAZAAR	1,326.47	
INTEREST ON SAVINGS ACCOUNTS	-290-55	Oliverante Trans.
INTEREST ON SAVINGS CERTIFICATES	470.31	
SPECIAL THANK OFFERING	120.00	
STOCK DIVIDENDS	24.62	
TELEPHONE INCOME	.45	
ROOM RENTAL	55.00	
CHURCH SCHOOL OFFERING	93.93	
CHURCH SCHOOL PICNIC	110.40	
CHURCH SCHOOL CAKE SALE	** 72-25	
CHURCH SCHOOL DINNER	127.73	
CHURCH SCHOOL GIFT	50.00	3,741.71
REFUNDS:		
TELEPHONE	119.33	
INSURANCE	84.00	
HOSP.HR. & CORP. COMM.	57.12	
U.T.O. EXPENSE(OFFICE SUPPLIES)	3.00	
CHRISTMAS - DECORATIONS	1.50	
REPAIR CREDITS	220.00	
DEANERY DUES CREDITS	25.00	
ADVERTISING	15.20	
BAZAAR EXPENSE	182.55	
GIFT	7.00	714.70
TRANSFERS, ETC:		
CLOSE OUT BAZAAR ADVANCE	500.00	
FROM EMERGENCY FUND	666.00	
CLOSE OUT FIDELITY BANK	114.30	1,280.30

RECEIPTS (Cont.)

FOR SPECIFIC PURPOSES

IMPROVEMENT, EMERGENCY, MEMORIAL FUND	718.00		
WORK OUTSIDE PARISH(ENVELOPES)	1,043.73		
BISHOP'S FUND(CONFIRMATION)	25.00		
U.T.O.	163.87		
THANKSGIVING (CHAPLAINCY)	78.00		
INTEREST BERRY FLOWER MEMORIAL	12.51	2,041.11	
DIOCESAN GRANT	3,000.00	3,000.00	19 -1
TOTAL RECEIF	PTS:-	30,214.37	

DISBURSEMENTS

JANUARY 1,1972 TO DECEMBER 31,1972

SALARIES:	10,701.91	
RECTOR	260.00	
SUPPLY	600.00	
DISCRETIONARY FUND	2,565.02	
PENSION PREMIUM		
LIFE & HOSP. INSURANCE	729.48	
CAR ALLOWANCE	1,400.00	
CAR INSURANCE(LIABILITY)	13.75	
ORGANIST	1,325.00	
SUPPLY	125.00	
SOLOIST	320.00	
SEXTON	1,208.60	41.5 -4
PHILA. WAGE TAX	400.00	19,648.76
PHILA. WAUE TAA		
RECTORY MAINTENANCE:	236.44	
ELECTRIC	281.08	
GAS	256.00	
REPAIRS	354.87	1,128.39
TAXES))4.01	_,,
CHURCH MAINTENANCE:	71.6 75	
ELECTRIC	746.15	
GAS	38.40	
TELEPHONES	432.67	
WATER & SEWER	1.05	
FUEL	1,031.70	
FUEL & MAINTENANCE CONTRACT	89.90	
REPAIRS	1,794.64	
CARE OF GROUNDS	540.00	
OFFICE SUPPLIES	490.75	
	271.00	
POSTAGE	93.49	
JANITOR SUPPLIES	28.51 ~	
ALTAR SUPPLIES	28.15	
CHRISTMAS DECORATIONS	19.32	
ADVERTISING	101.36	
MUSIC, CHOIR & MAINTENANCE	63.86	
HOSP, HR. & CORP. COMM.	82.50	
AUDIT & CARE OF PAPERS	6.00	
INSURANCE BOND	871.00	
INSURANCE PREMIUM	•	
COMP. & BOILER INSURANCE	354.00	
FIRE EXT. & BOILER MAINTENANCE	40.25	

'DISBURSEMENTS'(Cont.)

CHURCH MAINTENANCE: (Cont.)		
DEANERY DUES	25.00	
CHURCH SCHOOL EXPENDITURES	396.81	
ADVANCE FOR BAZAAR EXPENSE	182.55	
BANK CHARGES & TRANSFER	133.09	
IMPROVEMENT, EMERG. & MEM.FUND	674.00	8,536.15
FOR WORK OUTSIDE PARISH:		
GENERAL CHURCH (MISSIONS)	924.33	
CLERGY SALARY & PENSION ASSMNT.	118.00	
EPISCOPAL HOSP. CHAPLAINCY FUND	78.00	
BISHOP'S FUND(CONFIRMATION)	25.00	
U.T.O.	163.87	1,309.20
GRAND TOTAL DISBURSEMENTS:		30,622.50

BALANCE SHEET

JANUARY	1,1972	TO	DECEMBER	31,1972
		-		

BALANCE ON HAND 1-1-72 8,608.49

RECEIPTS AS OF 12-31-72 30,214.37

TOTAL: 38,822.86

DISBURSEMENTS AS OF 12-31-72 30,622.50

BALANCE ON HAND 1-1-73 8,200.36

CHECKING ACCOUNT: 3,022.86
SAVINGS ACCOUNT: 5,177.50
TOTAL: 8,200.36

SECURITIES:

SUN OIL CORP. 8 Shares @ 43 7/8 SAVINGS CERTIFICATE SAVINGS CERTIFICATE	351.00 2,500.00 5,000.00
TOTAL:	7,851.00
SEPARATE CHURCH FUNDS: MEMORIAL, IMPROVEMENT & EMERGENCY FUND BERRY FLOWER MEMORIAL	2,514.32 250.00
TOTAL:	2,764.32

GRAND TOTAL OF ALL FUNDS UNDER CONTROL OF TREASURER: \$ 18,815.68

DETAIL EXPENSE SHEET

CATEGORY	GROSS	CREDIT	NET
TELEPHONE	432.67	119.33	313.34
INSURANCE (PROPERTY)	1,225.00	84.00	1,141.00
HOSP.HR.& CORP.COMM.	63.86	57.12	6.74
OFFICE SUPPLIES	490.75	3.00	487.75
ALTAR SUPPLIES	28.51	12.51	16.00
CHRISTMAS DECORATIONS	28.15	1.50	26.65
DEANERY DUES	25.00	25.00	•
ADVERTISING	19.32	15.20	4.12
REPAIRS (CHURCH & RECTORY)	2,050.64	220.00	1,830.64
CHURCH SCHOOL	396.81	454.31	57.50 (Credit)

COMPARISION OF OFFERINGS AND ATTENDANCE

	1968	1969	1970	1971	1972
PLATE COLLECTIONS	827.52	772.43	730.15	832.19	605.44
GENERAL EXPENSE(BLACK)	14,804.36	15,656.68	15,898.55	16,938.57	16,118.47
WORK OUTSIDE PARISH (RED)	1,902.26	1,849.01	1,196.89	1,033.08	1,043.73
HEAT & LIGHT	533.24	550.84	558.38	571.52	532.30
PENSION	402.75	382.71	397.63	396.59	392.06
TOTAL:-	18.470.13	19,212.07	18,781.60	19,771.95	18,692.00
BLDG .& MEM .FUND	452.00	545.50	147.50	324.23	718.00

YEAR	SERVICES	ATTENDANCE
1968	195	6817
1969	194	6667
1970	181	6218
1971	157	5251
1972	137	4347

BUDGET 1973

THIS BUDGET WAS APPROVED AT THE CONGREGATIONAL MEETING ON OCTOBER 22ND. 1972. THE ACTUAL 1972 FIGURES WERE NOT AVAILABLE AT THAT TIME, BUT ARE NOW INCLUDED.

	1972 BUDGET	1972 ESTIMATED	1972* ACTUAL	1973 BUDGET
SALARIES AND OTHER BENEFITS	19,764.00	19,872.10	19,648.76	21,660.00
RECTORY MAINT.	1,275.00	1,166.00	1,128.39	1,350.00
CHURCH MAINT. GAS, OIL, ELECT. ETC	4,210.00	4,216.30	4,631.43	4,140.00
MUSIC, JANITOR, OFFICE SUPPLIES, POSTAGE, ETC.	1,825.00	910.00	1,023.11	975•00
INSURANCE, DEANER: DUES, ADVERTISE.E		1,433.50	1,283.12	1,132.50
TOTAL CHURCH MAINTENANCE;	7,150.00	6,559.80	6,947.66	6,247.50
TOTAL PARISH MAINTENANCE:	28,189.00	27,617.90	27,724.81	29,257.50

^{*} ALL 1972 ACTUAL FIGURES ARE NET COST FIGURES AS TAKEN FROM THE EXPENSE DETAIL SHEET WHERE APPLICABLE.

ESTIMATED RECEIPTS (For Budgeted Iems)

	1972 BUDGET	1972 EST.	1972 ACTUAL	1973 EST.
PEAL COLLEGION - & INITIAL	- 750.00	625.00	605.44	600.00
PLEDGES (General Expense)	16,600.00	15,600.00	16,118.47	14,000.00
HEAT, LIGHT & PENSION	950.00	900.00	924.36	850.00
EASTER & CHRISTMAS OFFERINGS	1,300.00	1,540.38	1,596.88	1,400.00
LENTEN DIME FOLDERS	300-00	191.40	191.40	250.00
INTEREST ON SAVINGS	950.00	850.00	785.48	800.00
FUND RAISING	1,500.00	2,000.00	2,326.47	1,500.00
	22,350.00	21,706,78	22,548.50	19,400.00
DIOCESAN GRANT	3,000.00	3,000.00	3,000.00	
NON_RECURRING INCOME			1,081.10	
GRAND TOTAL:-	25,350.00	24,706.78	26,629.60	19,400.00

ACOLYTES GUILD

There was a time when, to be an Acolyte, was an honorable task indeed. Boys sought the assignment with eagerness and humility, and the service rendered was unique of all the activities lay people can be involved in insofar as the public worship of Almighty God was concerned.

In recent years, with a dearth of young boys in the parish, we have been almost without the services of Acolytes. Only a faithful few are available to assist the Officiant at the Altar and to serve in the Sanctuary. During the year, we lost William Leisner, Steven Kaminsky, Sergei Kaminsky, while retaining Maurice Johnson, Gregory Mason, and Ronald Sterling. Lately, we have been trying to interest others in this important and significant activity, and have interested a number of young men in this work.

During the year 1973, Charles Jones has accepted the position of Director of Acolytes. He spent many years as an Acolyte, and knows not only the work but also the needs of an Acolyte. We are sure that Mr. Jones will properly prepare our interested boys for the tasks required of them, and that he will instil in them a sense of purpose and a sense of humility as they assist the Rector, and we wish him every success as he assumes this position of leadership.

Charles B. March

THE CHURCH WOMEN

We repeat our plea for more of the ladies of the parish to become involved in our organization. Our meetings are held at 12:30 p.m. on the first Wednesday of each month, and all are welcome to join us.

The attendance at our monthly Dessert Card Parties has been dwindling these past few months. Won't you join us, bring a friend or neighbor, and enjoy home-made cake with your coffee, in an atmosphere of good fellowship at our card tables on the third Tuesday of every month? We are most grateful to our faithful workers who turn out for our Card Parties, as well as to the ladies who can always be depended upon to bake a cake or provide prizes.

We thank all the members of the parish who supported our Covered Dish Supper last April, and those who joined us on our trip to the Campbell Soup Company and Museum, as well as those who were with us for our most enjoyable Christmas Party. Marion W. Kane President

FINANCIAL REPORT

Balance Forward 1-1-72		293.30	
Receipts - 1972:		Disbursements - 1972:	
Card Parties	664.95	Easter Gift to Church	500.00
Offerings	41.95	Christmas Gift to Church	500.00
Calendars	17.56	Other Gifts	60.00
Eliza. Price Martin Party	8,00	Donations	33.00
Forward, Day By Day	6.40	Book of Remembrance	15.00
Corp. Comm. Breakfast	10.00	Supplies	9.65
April Dinner	75.00	World Day of Prayer	3.00
Child's Christmas Gift	27.00	E.C.S. Gift (for a child)	25.00
Christmas Dinner	10.00	Calendars	14.78
Campbell Trip	44.00	9	
I.F.C. Meeting	1.85		1,160.43
	906.71	U.T.O.	163.87
United Thank Offering	163.87	Total Disbursements	1,324.30
Total Receipts	1,070.58		
	19010000	Fidelity (Checking)	337.81
		Community Federal	296.88
	Total	Bank Balance 12-31-72	634,69

RECTOR'S WARDEN

In any annual report, I suppose it is natural to look for several specific areas of concern, such as:

- (a) What is the condition of the property?
- (b) What is the financial picture?
- (c) What have we accomplished during the year?
- (d) What do we hope to accomplish in the year ahead?

As to the condition of our property, I am happy to report that it is generally in good condition, thanks to the efforts of our Property Committee. Our oil burner has to be replaced; the Church Organ ought to be renovated. The people we had engaged to remove snow from our sidewalks has relinquished that activity. They are concerned about the safeth of their workers, who may be required to come during the late hours. We have asked the Property Committee to find a solution to this problem.

The financial picture, while not as healthy as we would like, is not as bad as we had anticipated. The Accounting Warden's report (page 6) shows receipts of \$30,214.37 and (page 8) disbursements of \$30,622.50, indicating a deficit of \$408.13. We had anticipated a deficit much larger than this. Moreover, the Budget Committee anticipates a larger deficit in 1973, due chiefly to the fact that we anticipate no financial help from the Diocese.

The work of the parish was carried on in excellent fashion in 1972. Inspiring and meaningful services of worship, the re-activation of the Church School, etc. The Rector is to be commended for all of this. The "Ad Hoc" Committee completed its work, met several times with the Allen Commission, and the Wardens and Rector had a luncheon meeting with Bishop Lyman Ogilby, to lay before him the problems that face us.

We continue to lose some of our faithful and precious members such as

Florence Maguire, Bill and Elsie Schumacher, Bill and Lydia Sowden, to mention just a few. Others have passed into Eternal Rest. Our efforts to bring into the parish family the new families in our neighborhood have met with limited success.

If we are to continue as a viable parish, we must find ways to bring in more and more of the people moving into our area. We must continue to impress on the Diocese the fact that a live, vigorous Church is a "must" in West Oak Lane.

My deepest appreciation to the Accounting Warden, and to all the other Vestry members for the fine work they have done. And to the Rector, for his eternal optomism and faithful work in the life of the parish. And to the Churchwomen, who are always a comfort, always dependable, always in the forefront of all our life and worship.

We shall miss Bob Carmint and Leonard Mason from the Vestry, and we extend a warm welcome to Charles Jones and Mary Ogle, our newest members.

Rector's Warden

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ALTAR GUILD

During the year, preparations were made for 160 Services, of which 38 were week-day and Holy Day Services. We also prepared for 7 Baptisms, one Service of Confirmation, and 3 Services for the Burial of The Dead.

We disbursed \$51.10 to cover the cost of supplies and for the cleaning of a Dossal. We also paid \$2.00 annual dues, and a contribution of \$8.00, to the Diocesan Altar Guild.

We are very sorry that due to Ann Lowe's accident, we have lost the services of one of our most faithful workers. We hope for her speedy recovery, for she is sorely missed.

We again appeal for volunteers for the Guild, for our work is most important and necessary.

We extend our thanks to all who have assisted in the distribution of Altar Flowers to the ill and shut-ins every Sunday, and we are especially grateful to the men of the parish who delivered the Easter and Christmas plants.

We also thank all in the parish who made contributions to our Easter, All Saints' Day, and Christmas Memorial Fund appeals. You were most generous.

FINANCIAL REPORT

Balance for	ward 1-1-72		501.69		
Receipts:	January February March April May June July August September October November December	33.00 58.15 186.00 137.61 72.00 49.00 15.11 121.50 27.14 193.50	Disbursements:	January February March April May June July August September October November December	184.92 30.00 34.75 185.50 24.50 26.00 31.00 42.00 24.00 59.84 66.54 30.00
	Total: Balance 1-1-72	893.01 501.69	Balance 1-1-73	Total: 655.65	739.05
		1,394.70	Datance 1919()	€77 . €7	

USHER S REPORT

While the number of male members of our congregation who are available for serving as Ushers is declining, we do have a faithful group of men who are members of our Committee, and they are to be commended.

In addition to the regular duties, we have sought to be helpful in other ways. Whenever some unexpected problem arises, whether before, during, or after the services, our men can be counted on to assist. Moreover, we are available to transport to and from the Services all those who could otherwise not attend. It is our hope that such transportation problems will continue to be brought to our attention, so that we can respond. We hope that this service is appreciated. We are certain that it will be continued.

Again, we ask those new members coming into the congregation to volunteer to serve as Ushers. Please inform any member of the Committee of your willingness, and you will be most welcome, given instructions, and immediately assigned a time to serve. You can be sure that it will be appreciated, and we know that it will give you a great deal of personal satisfaction.

The Ushering Committee

Edward McDougall, Chairman Victor T. Kettle Andrew H. Miles

TWENTY-THIRD ANNUAL PARISH BAZAAR

Receipts:	Dinner	278.00
	Gift Items	68,40
	Cards	141.00
	Wallets, etc.	33.95
	Aprons	98.55
	Cakes	161.46
	Workshop	335.10
	Candy & Cookies	72.59
	Attic Treasures	175.99
	Green Thumb	11.55
	Trombolla	58.50
	Jewelry	8.43
	Pennies	156.10

Total receipts: \$ 1,600.62

Disbursed:	Candy	28,80
	Dinner	75.00
	Cards	57.65
	Wallets	21.10
	Workshop	25.00
	Cookies	66.60

Total disbursed: \$ 274.15

Net profit for the Bazaar: \$1,326.47

Respectfully submitted

John L. MacEwan Jr

Treasurer

OUR VESTRY FOR THE YEAR 1972

Rector's Warden: Gustav L. Spahr

Accounting Warden: Ellwood A. Booth

Financial Secretary: Mrs. J. Ralph Murdock

Clerk: John L. MacEwan Jr.

1973

1974

1975

Robert W. Carmint J. Russell Davey Leonard L. Mason Walter F. Staton Ellwood A. Booth *
John L. MacEwan Jr. *
Edward McDougall *
Mrs. J. Ralph Murdock

Gustav L. Spahr * Charles W. Kane * Victor T. Kettle James V. Cook

COMMITTEES

Music: MacEWAN, Staton

Church School: (to be named)

Publicity: DAVEY, Kane, Craig

Parish Visit .: STATON, McDougall, Cook

Property: KETTLE, Staton, Davey, McDougall, Cook, Carmint

Finance: BOOTH, Spahr, McDougall, Staton, Murdock

Convention: SPAHR, BOOTH, STATON, Carmint, Murdock, Cook

Ushering: McDOUGALL, Miles, Kettle, Mason

Parish Council: MURDOCK

Annual Bazaar: (To be named)

Canvass: STATON, Kane, Mason

Deanery: Ann and Ellwood Booth, Caroline and James Cook

(Capitals denote Chairmen

Convention capitals denote Delegates, others are Alternates)

CHURCH SCHOOL

One of the brighter lights in our parish during 1972 has been our Church School. Almost re-constituted during the Summer, it opened with the Rally Day Service on September 10th, gained momentum with the Teachers' Meeting on September 12th, and has been quietly been adding to its numbers and its program ever since.

After a number of years of simple concentration on the Bible, our School now uses the David Cook series of lessons. After having been instructed as a group, we are now in graded classes. The change has been almost unbelied weble.

Lionel King accepted the responsibility as Superintendent; Patricia Major is our Secretary; Ellwood Booth is our Treasurer. Our Teaching Staff is composed of Marica Sears, Olivia Thompson, Vicki Johnson, Gloria Cross, Bernadette Jones, and Etther White. We have 10 Officers and Teachers, and 30 active pupils on our rolls. What a far cry from our life and activity earlier in the year.

Near the end of 1972, while we were engaged in preparing for the Christmas Festival, a number of our Teachers discussed the possibility of changing the time of the Church School so that the Rector could personally be involved in our work. Beginning in January, the Rector will open our sessions, discuss with us certain aspects of Church life, and still be in time for his Service in the Church, because we are beginning our School at 10 a.m. instead of at 10:30. It is hoped that this time will again be changed, so that we will begin School at 9:30 a.m., and thus allow the Rector with us for an even longer period. This would give everyone the opportunity not only to be involved with the Church School but also to be involved with the worship service in Church, both as worshippers and also as members of the Choir and the Acolytes' Guild.

We have contributed to the support of our Church through our School Pledge Envelopes, as well as through our Lenten Dime Folders and Mite Box Offerings. We are planning additional fund-raising activities throughout the coming year, so that our Church can remain strong and active in our community.

We are grateful to the Rector for all his help to us, and we look forward to an even deeper association with him in the coming year. Together, and with the help of God, we will restore our Church School to a place of importance and effectiveness as a teaching instrument for young members of our parish family. We invite your prayers and your interest in our undertaking.

The Church School Teachers

JUNIOR AND SENIOR CHOIRS

This page should be reserved for Florence Maguire, whose leadership and inspiration during most of 1972 will long be remembered not only by the members of the Choir but also by every member of the parish family. For never was there a more conscientious or more dedicated worker in the Chancel of our Church, presiding at the Organ and active in the Transept Room during rehearsals, ever striving for that elusive thing we call perfection, not only in herself but also in the members of the Choir. She will be missed!

Florence's hand was in the selection of anthems and choir pieces, in the choice of hymns, and in the quality of choral and musical presentation for the services of worship. She was especially adept in anticipating the moves and the desires of the Rector, a most valuable asset for anyone who serves the post of Organist.

Her successor will begin after the first of February, and we are all hoping for him a successful and rewarding experience as our new Organist and Choirmaster. Already he has indicated a desire to re-activate the Juniors, and has encouraged a number of additions to the Senior Choir. The year 1973 looks bright with promise, and we enlist the active support and interest of every member of the parish family.

Our rehearsals begin at 7:45 every Thursday evening in the Transept Room of the Church. Join your voice with ours, so that together we can offer up suitable and laudable service to Almighty God as we sing His glory and offer to Him the gift of our voices.

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May the souls of the Faithful Departed meat in peace, and may Light Perpetual shine upon them.